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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Scott G. Meikle  
Application No. : 09/649,427  
Filed : August 28, 2000  
For : METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR FORMING A  
PLANARIZING PAD HAVING A FILM AND TEXTURE  
ELEMENTS FOR PLANARIZATION OF  
MICROELECTRONIC SUBSTRATES

Docket No. : 108298511US

Date : February 20, 2001

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RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF INCOMPLETE REPLY (NONPROVISIONAL)

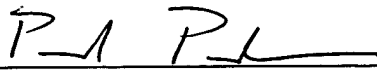
Sir:

In response to the Notice of Incomplete Reply dated January 4, 2001, with respect to the above-identified application, the applicant notes that a Declaration was submitted on December 18, 2000, along with a Response to Notice to File Missing Parts of Application and Part 2 of the Formalities Letter dated October 18, 2000. Enclosed are copies of the documents which were submitted on December 18, 2000, along with a copy of the returned postcard submitted with the filing as confirmation of receipt.

Applicants therefore submit that the Notice of Incomplete Reply was sent in error and no additional fees are due at this time. Should any fees be required, the

Commissioner is authorized to charge said fees to Deposit Account No. 50-0665. A duplicate copy of this response is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,  
Perkins Coie LLP

  
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Paul T. Parker  
Registration No. 38,264

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Enclosures:

- Postcard
- Copy of this Response
- Part 2 of Notice of Incomplete Reply
- Copy of Response to Missing Parts dated December 18, 2000
- Copy of Returned Confirmation of Receipt (postcard)
- Copy of Part 2 of Formalities Letter
- Copy of Declaration

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## FORMALITIES LETTER



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## NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

*Filing Date Granted*

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is missing.  
*A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.*
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- The balance due by applicant is \$ 130.

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## FORMALITIES LETTER

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## NOTICE OF INCOMPLETE REPLY (NONPROVISIONAL)

*Filing Date Granted*

The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office has received your reply on 12/27/2000 to the Notice to File Missing Parts (Notice) mailed 10/18/2000 and it has been entered into the nonprovisional application. The reply, however, does not include the following items required in the Notice.

The period of reply remains as set forth in the Notice. You may, however, obtain EXTENSIONS OF TIME under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136 (a) accompanied by the appropriate fee (37 CFR 1.17(a)).

A complete reply must be timely filed to prevent ABANDONMENT of the above-identified application.

- Late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 was not received.
- The balance due by applicant is \$ 130.

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*Kim Duncan*

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RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF APPLICATION

Sir:

In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts dated October 18, 2000, please find enclosed a Declaration and Part 2 of the Formalities Letters for the above-identified application.

Respectfully submitted,

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Registration No. 42,216

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Enclosures:

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Part 2 of Formalities Letter

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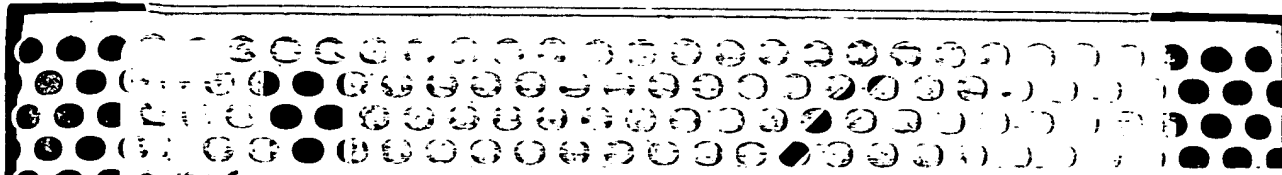
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Response to Notice to File Missing Parts, Declaration, Part 2 of Formalities Letter; in re: Scott G. Meikle, App. No. 09/649,427, filed August 28, 2000, for METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR FORMING A PLANARIZING PAD HAVING A FILM AND TEXTURE ELEMENTS FOR PLANARIZATION OF MICROELECTRONIC SUBSTRATES.

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